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The Newsletter for the Third Taxing District Electric Department

2 Second Street • East Norwalk, CT 06855

Your Commission

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Free Light Bulbs Offered

Beginning May 1st, the TTD Electric Department will offer a free energy saving light bulb to the first 100 people to visit the office.

Upcoming Events

- April 19th HEALTH SEMINAR
 at 7:15 p.m.
 at Van Zilen Hall
 51 Van Zant Street
- April 19th BLOOD DRIVE
 at Van Zilen Hall
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- April 19th TTD Commission
 Meeting at 7:00 pm
 at Van Zilen Hall
 51 Van Zant Street
- May 9th TTD Commission
 Meeting at 7:00 pm
 at Van Zilen Hall
 51 Van Zant Street
- May 23rd TTD Commission
 Meeting at 7:00 pm
 at Van Zilen Hall
 51 Van Zant Street

During a recent Energy Conservation Awareness Program, your Third Taxing District Electric Department helped underwrite the discounted sale of energy efficient light bulbs at the local Costco, Walgreen's, and Rite-Aid stores. As with any proposed program that involves guessing the public's participation, there are some light bulbs left over. Through the generosity of the Connecticut Municipal Electrical Energy Consortium, of which the TTD is a member, we have left-over light bulbs we will give away free to any customer that comes to the Electric Department office at 2 Second Street after May 1st and asks for one.

Using these bulbs will not diminish



the amount of light you need, but will go a long way in saving you money by using less electricity. We have 75 watt and 100 watt bulbs available. For comparison, these 100 watt "Energy Star" light bulbs use 18 watts of power and last for 6,000 hours compared to 100 watts of power used by the regular 100 watt incandescent light bulb you probably use at home that will last for only 1,000 hours. It would take 6 standard light bulbs to give you the same light output as these energy saver light bulbs. Approximately a \$55 savings over the life of the bulb.

We are doing our part to help save you energy and money, please come in and take advantage of your free light bulb starting May 1st.

Electors Urge New Firehouse Lease

The electors attending the TTD Annual Meeting on March 2nd passed a resolution directing the Commission to renegotiate a new lease with the City for the rental of the firehouse on Van Zant Street. The old 5 year lease with the City was negotiated in 1970 and, for whatever reasons, had never been updated after running out in 1975.

The 35 year old lease was for \$550 a month or \$6,600 a year rental and the TTD would pick up all costs for utilities. Last year's costs to maintain the fire house operation for the city was approximately \$20,000. The resolution directs the Commission to stop payment of items outside the 35 year old lease and renegotiate a new lease representing today's real estate values and have the city pay their own utilities and expenses.

YOU CAN HELP!!! • BLOOD DRIVE on APRIL 19th, 2005 at the EAST NORWALK LIBRARY

Business of the Month

East Norwalk is home to three of the finest Wineries / Liquor Stores in the City - Fountainhead on Winfield Street, The Liquor Center on East Avenue, and this month's "Business of the Month", Harbor Side Wines and Liquors. Located at 11 Cove Avenue, Harbor Side has been owned and operated by Tom Buono, Jr. since 2001.

Many of the real old time East Norwalkers will remember this building as one of the early sites of the Past Time Club. Over the years it has been the home of Erletto's Package store before Peter Ippolitto took over in the 1970's. From 1972 to 1980 the right half of the store was Joe Huzina's Ideal Deli.

Today Buono operates Harbor Side out of the entire building and

offers well stocked shelves of everything from a \$7.00 Cabernet Sauvignon to a \$60.00 single malt scotch. Tom has been in the food-wine-spirits industry for most of his adult life, either as a waiter or as a bartender and therefore has the background knowledge to assist in any selection of a wine or liquor to go with any occasion.

Well educated in the myriad of selections from the wineries all over the world, Tom takes pride in finding a wine or liquor for any occasion that is under \$10.00. You'll find Harbor Side Wine and Liquors a neighborhood store operated by a friendly East Norwalker. The store is open six days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Sundays gone fishin'!

Harbor Side Wines and Liquors



Located at 11 Cove Avenue, Harbor Side Wines and Liquors has served the East Norwalk's needs for fine wines and liquors since 1998.

TTD Officials Testify in Hartford Against State Mandated Conservation

General Manager, George Leary and Commission Chairman, David Brown traveled to Hartford on February 28th to testify in front of the Joint Committee on Energy. They testified against House Bill Number 6906 which is comprehensive energy legislation that will increase our electricity bills by 3%.

In spite of their efforts, the bill was passed by the Joint Committee on Energy and sent on to the General Assembly. If passed by the General Assembly, Bill 6906 would require that TTD and other utilities expend 3% of their gross revenues on load management and conservation.

Brown and Leary testified at the public hearing that the TTD and other municipalities should be exempt from this mandate. They joined with elected officials and municipal utility managers from across the state. Brown explained the Home Rule philosophy of municipal utilities such as TTD and how it is important to our citizens to make these kinds of decisions on a local level rather than having a mandate from state government. Leary outlined the successful efforts undertaken by TTD to manage our load and assist our customers to conserve. He cited the generators installed at Norden as an example of a large and cost-effective investment in reducing our peak load. As of this writing the legislation is still pending before the General Assembly.

How can you help? Call your local Representatives, Larry Cafero, Joe Mann, and Senator Bob Duff, and tell them the local municipal utilities already spend more than their share for load management and conservation issues. We can't afford another state mandated 3% on our bills.

Free Health Seminar

Glyconutrition – Miracle Sugars that Heal the Body

Wednesday, April 13, 2005 at 7:15 p.m.
In the Eunice Van Zilen Hall
at the East Norwalk Library

Come hear guest speaker Nasir Shaikh, MD
in Nutritional Medicine, speak on "One of the
10 emerging technologies that will change the
world." *M.I.T. Technology Review* 2003

Please call to reserve as seats are limited –
203-838-7338

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